

## **AMENDMENTS – IN THE CLAIMS**

Please amend the claims as follows.

1. (original) A vending machine, comprising:
  - a first product dispensing unit configured for dispensing packaged pizza crust product;
  - a second product dispensing unit configured for dispensing packaged pizza topping product; and
  - an apparatus coupled to the first product dispensing unit and the second dispensing unit, wherein the apparatus is configured for facilitating input and processing of a customer-configured pizza preparation kit order.
2. (original) The machine of claim 1 wherein:
  - the first product dispensing unit is a frozen product dispensing unit; and
  - the second product dispensing unit is a refrigerated product dispensing unit.
3. (original) The machine of claim 1 wherein:
  - the first product dispensing unit includes a plurality of packaged pizza crust product dispensers; and
  - the second product dispensing unit includes a plurality of packaged pizza topping product dispensers.
4. (original) The machine of claim 1 wherein:
  - the first product dispensing unit is configured for enabling different types of packaged pizza crust product to be selectively dispensed; and

the second product dispensing unit is configured for enabling different types of packaged pizza topping product to be selectively dispensed.

5. (original) The machine of claim 1 wherein the apparatus includes:
  - an user interface arrangement configured for enabling input and payment of the customer-configured pizza preparation kit order; and
  - an order processing arrangement configured for determining pizza kit components of the customer-configured pizza preparation kit order, preparing component-specific preparation instructions and controlling dispensing of said kit components.
6. (original) The machine of claim 5 wherein the apparatus includes a kit component management arrangement configured for managing kit component inventory.

7. (original) A vending machine, comprising:
- an user interface arrangement configured for facilitating input of a customer-configured pizza preparation kit order;
  - an order processing arrangement configured for processing the customer-configured pizza preparation kit order; and
  - a product dispensing arrangement configured for dispensing a customer-configured pizza preparation kit corresponding to said order.
8. (original) The machine of claim 7 wherein the product dispensing arrangement includes:
- a first product dispensing unit configured for dispensing packaged pizza crust product comprised by the customer-configured pizza preparation kit;
  - a second product dispensing unit configured for dispensing packaged pizza topping product comprised by the customer-configured pizza preparation kit.
9. (original) The machine of claim 8 wherein:
- the first product dispensing unit is a frozen product dispensing unit; and
  - the second product dispensing unit is a refrigerated product dispensing unit.
10. (original) The machine of claim 8 wherein:
- the first product dispensing unit includes a plurality of packaged pizza crust product dispensers; and
  - the second product dispensing unit includes a plurality of packaged pizza topping product dispensers.
11. (original) The machine of claim 8 wherein:

the first product dispensing unit is configured for enabling different types of packaged pizza crust product to be selectively dispensed; and  
the second product dispensing unit is configured for enabling different types of packaged pizza topping product to be selectively dispensed.

12. (original) The machine of claim 7 wherein said processing includes determining pizza kit components of the customer-configured pizza preparation kit order, preparing component-specific preparation instructions and controlling dispensing of said kit components.

13. (original) The machine of claim 7, further comprising:  
a kit component management arrangement configured for managing kit component inventory.

14. (original) The machine of claim 7 wherein the order processing arrangement is configured for:  
processing payment of said order;  
displaying a visual representation of a pizza corresponding to said order; and  
controlling dispensing of kit components comprised by said order.

15. (original) The machine of claim 7 wherein:  
the user interface includes a visual display; and  
the order processing arrangement includes means for displaying a visual representation of a pizza corresponding to said order on the visual display.

16. (original) A vending machine, comprising:

means for determining kit components of a customer-configured pizza preparation kit;  
means for preparing component-specific preparation instructions for the customer-configured pizza preparation kit order; and  
means for dispensing said kit components and said preparation instructions.

17. (original) The machine of claim 16 wherein said means for determining kit components includes a apparatus configured for facilitating input and processing of a customer-configured pizza preparation kit order.

18. (original) The machine of claim 16 wherein said means for dispensing said kit components includes:

a first product dispensing unit configured for dispensing packaged pizza crust product; and  
a second product dispensing unit configured for dispensing packaged pizza topping product.

19. (original) The machine of claim 18 wherein:

the first product dispensing unit is a frozen product dispensing unit; and  
the second product dispensing unit is a refrigerated product dispensing unit.

20. (original) The machine of claim 18 wherein:

the first product dispensing unit includes a plurality of pizza crust dispensers; and  
the second product dispensing unit includes a plurality pizza topping dispensers.

21. (original) The machine of claim 18 wherein:

the first product dispensing unit is configured for enabling different types of packaged pizza crust product to be selectively dispensed; and  
the second product dispensing unit is configured for enabling different types of packaged pizza topping product to be selectively dispensed.

22. (original) The machine of claim 16, further comprising:

means for managing kit component inventory.

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